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REMARKS

Summary of the Corrected Amendment

Upon entry of the above amendment, claim 15, as amended September 30, 2004, will have been corrected to include proper status identifiers. Accordingly, claims 1-34 currently remain pending.

Summary of the Notice of Non-compliant Amendment

In the instant Notice, the Examiner has required that the "Amendment to the Claims" section of Applicants' March 14, 2005 response be corrected to include a proper status identifier for claim 15. By the present amendment, Applicants submit that the Examiner's requirement has been met and request that the Examiner now reconsider and withdraw the pending rejections in light of the amendments and Applicants' remarks of March 14, 2005, and indicate the allowability of the instant application and the pending claims.

Authorization to Charge Deposit Account

The undersigned authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, including any extensions of time fees required to place the application in condition for allowance by Examiner's Amendment, to Deposit Account No. 19 - 0089 in order to maintain pendency of this application.

CONCLUSION

Any amendments to the claims which have been made in this response and which

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have not been specifically noted to overcome a rejection based upon the prior art, should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

Accordingly, reconsideration of the outstanding Office Action and allowance of the present application and all the claims therein are respectfully requested and now believed to be appropriate.

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